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House No. HJR0084 By McDaniel

A RESOLUTION to direct the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Archaeology to develop a plan regarding significant shipwreck sites in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, The U.S. Congress finds that States have the responsibility for management of a broad range of living and non-living resources in state waters and submerged lands: and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Congress finds that included in the range of resources in a state are certain abandoned shipwrecks, which have been deserted and to which the owner has relinquished ownership rights with no retention; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress finds that in order to encourage and foster a cooperative partnership among sport divers, fishermen, archaeologists, salvers, and other interests to manage shipwreck resources of the state as stated in the Abandoned Shipwreck Act of 1987 (PL100-208); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Archaeology, be

directed to develop a plan regarding management strategies for the preservation and conservation of significant shipwreck sites in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Division shall recognize the important events and geographic locations in the history and development of the river navigation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Tennessee Division of Archaeology and to each member of the Tennessee Congressional Delegation.

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